

## CUT AWAY THE NERVE

## GET RHYTHM THE RIGHT WAY

**FROM BASE OF BRAIN.**

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**Delicate Operation Performed at  
City Hospital to Cure Tri-  
facial Neuralgia.**

Though the surgeon's knife probed almost to the center of his brain Tuesday morning and removed the gasserian ganglion, a bunch of nerve tissue which lay against the base of the brain, Alexander Johns of No. 1023 South Twelfth street, an inspector in the Water Department, still lives at the City Hospital, where the operation was re-

The operation is one of less than a dozen of its kind that have been performed on a live

Illustration of surgical operation on Alexander Johns, performed by Doctor Amyx at the City Hospital.  
A—Skull incision.  
B—Gasserian ganglion.  
C—Tumor.

ing subject in St. Louis, and is one of the most difficult known to the medical sciences. Doctor Robert F. Amyx, assistant superintendent of the hospital, was in charge of the operation. He was assisted, however, by Doctor H. L. Nietert, Superintendent of the hospital; Dr. N. B. Carson, Doctor Bernays, Doctor Roland Hill and Doctor W. A. McCandless.

The incision was made through the left temple about an inch from the ear. Thence Doctor Amyx worked downward straight into the brain to a distance, say physicians, of from four to five inches. Here lay the gasserian ganglion, the tissue which it was the object of the operation to remove. To cut it out was a most delicate task, since it lay against the very nerve seat of the entire body, and the slightest deviation of the knife from the correct course would

Johns was released from the influence of the chloroform after four hours of unconsciousness.

All the doctors who were present at the operation believed that chances for recovery were good, though they said that the operation was very dangerous and that the ultimate result could not be foretold.

Johns was a sufferer from trichloro-natala. For more than five years he suffered

**MRS. STEELE'S DIVORCE SUIT.**  
Second Attempt to Secure a Legal Separation.

Mrs. Harriet L. Steele occupied the witness stand in Judge Zachrist's court today to testify during the marriage of the divorce suit of her husband, William L. Steele.

Mrs. Steele testified that she made a number of efforts at reconciliation with her husband. She said that she wrote him letters to this end, but received no answer. She also called him up by telephone on two occasions for the same purpose. She said of two meetings between them at the Jefferson Bank, but she was not allowed to relate the conversation.

Mrs. Steele's attorney asked her in regard to the treatment of her by her husband, but the Court ruled it out. Judge Zachrisson stated in the early part of the trial that the Court was not to consider anything in regard to the matter of desertion, as the other differences of the couple had been adjusted in the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Steele some time ago, which was tried before Judge Ferriss, who dismissed both the petition of Mrs. Steele and the cross bill of her husband. In the present case the Court said that the husband's desertion of his wife is a bare pretense and a mere

During the forenoon session Tuesday Steele's attorney was put on the stand in the interest of Mrs. Steele. The attorney admitted that he had employed detectives to obtain information in regard to Mrs. Steele, but the case will be on trial again Wednesday.

### Working to Secure It.

Leading candidates on all the tickets in the field in the present campaign have promised to assist in every way possible in carrying out the plan providing for an increase of one-fifth of a mill of the public Library apportionment of the city revenue. Political organizations throughout the city, irrespective of party, are working in the same direction.

Members of the Library Board feel assured that no difficulty will be experienced

tion. Voters in general realize that the rate of taxation will not be increased in the least if the library rate is raised from one-fifth of a mill to two-fifths of a mill. On the other hand, it will assure an annual maintenance of \$300,000 for the Public Library, which will enable the board to accept Andrew Carnegie's gift of \$250,000.

Valley, Washington, and within the Washington forest reserve, probably will be detached from that reserve and opened to settlement in a few months. The tract embraces 167,840 acres.

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## Rubber Sheeting Wanted.

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Office of Commissioner of Supplies,  
City Hall, March 27, 1918.  
Sealed proposals will be received by the  
Director of the Bureau of Supplies, U. S. Army, at the  
War Department, Washington, D. C., until 12 o'clock  
noon, April 1, 1918, for the purchase of rubber sheeting,  
as follows:

undersigned, to be opened at his office at 12 o'clock m., on **SATURDAY NEXT, MARCH 20, 1891**, for furnishing the Poorhouse with 300 yds. 5-4 Rubber Sheeting.

Call at Commissioner of Supplies for blanks for information.

There must be in duplicate, free from alteration or erasure, and to both the original and duplicate must be attached a copy of this advertisement.

All bids having any alterations or erasure thereon will be rejected.

The Commission will not receive the right to  
reject any and all bids.

**FRED C. MEIER,**  
Commissioner of Supplies.

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**MAGNOLIA WANTED.**

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Office of Commissioner of Supplies,  
City Hall, March 22, 1918.

Scaled proposals will be received by the  
Commissioner, to be opened at 10 a. m. on March 23.

12 o'clock m. on  
SATURDAY NEXT, MARCH 30, 1890.  
For furnishing the Poorhouse with 100  
pounds Magnolia for the month of April.  
Call at Commissioner of Supplies for  
blank bids.  
Bids must be in duplicate, free from  
alteration or erasure, and to both the original  
and duplicate must be attached a copy  
of this advertisement.  
All bids having any alteration or erasure  
thereon will be rejected.  
The contractor reserves the right to  
reject any and all bids.

**FRED C. MOHR,**  
Commissioner of Insurance.